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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with Professor Richard Pipes of
Harvard University

This weekend (March 3 and 4) my wife and I shall be the houseguests of Professor Richard Pipes of Harvard University. Although the occasion is purely social -- we are visiting his son, Daniel -- Professor Pipes intends to travel to China this spring and I expect he will ask me my views on the current scene. Mike Oksenberg of the NSC has asked me to suggest to Professor Pipes that he might also want to speak with him before the trip. (According to Mr. Oksenberg, Pipes is only one of a group of people proposed in response to a Chinese invitation for Sovietologists to visit the PRC. The Chinese crossed out all the other proposed names and Pipes will now travel alone.)

If no objection is raised, I shall pursue these subjects with Professor Pipes as the opportunities occur.


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